

## **DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY**

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Subj: YOUR FOIA REQUESTS (DON-NAVY-2021-008221; DON-NAVY-2021-008168)

Dear Mr. Kessler:

This letter is in response to your requests under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), assigned tracking numbers DON-NAVY-2021-008221 and DON-NAVY-2021-008168, for information pertaining to payments and project change orders related to solicitations N40085-17-D5039 and N40080-17-R-9173.

A total of 112 responsive documents were found, which are provided with redactions, pursuant to the following FOIA exemption: (b)(4) and (b)(6) of the Freedom of Information Act, 5 USC § 552. Exemption 4 allows an agency to withhold trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person that is privileged or confidential. Exemption 6 allows an agency to withhold personal information that, if disclosed, would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

I am the official responsible for this response to your requests. If you have any questions, please contact Steven Rodriguez-Ruiz at <a href="mailto:steven.rodriguezruiz@navy.mil">steven.rodriguezruiz@navy.mil</a> and 202-685-3229.

I have determined that you are a commercial requester. In accordance with Navy policy and FOIA, no fees were assessed.

You have the right to an appeal. It must be received (i.e., post-marked if by mail, sent if by email, submitted if by FOIAonline) within 90 calendar days from the date of this letter. Please provide the appellate authority (see below) the following in an envelope marked "FOIA appeal":

- a letter requesting an appeal that explains what you are appealing with any supporting arguments or reasons you think may be worthy of consideration;
- a copy of your initial request; and
- a copy of the letter of denial.

Also, please provide me a copy of your appeal letter at Naval Facilities Engineering Command Washington, 1314 Harwood Street SE, Washington Navy Yard, DC 20374-5018.

There are two ways to file an appeal: through FOIAonline or by mail.

## 1. Through FOIAonline.

This will work only if you set up an account on FOIAonline before you make the request that you would like to appeal. To set up an account, go to FOIAonline (this is a website that will appear as the top hitif you search the internet for "FOIAonline"), click "Create Account" (a link located within the blue banner at the top in the upper right corner), enter your data into the field that subsequently appears, and click "Save" (at the bottom left of the screen). With your account thereby created, you will have the power to file an appeal on FOIAonline to any request you file on FOIAonline thereafter. To do so, locate your request (enter a keyword or the request tracking number in the "Search for" field on the "Search" tab), click on it, then the "Create Appeal" tab in the left-hand column. Complete the subsequent field, click "Save," and FOIAonline will submit your appeal.

## 2. By mail. Address your appeal to:

Department of the Navy, Office of the General Counsel, 1000 Navy Pentagon, Room 5A532 Washington, DC 20350-1000.

If you have any questions, please contact the FOIA coordinator at <a href="mailto:steven.rodriguezruiz@navy.mil">steven.rodriguezruiz@navy.mil</a> and 202-685-3229. You may also contact the DON FOIA Public Liaison, Christopher Julka, at <a href="mailto:christopher.a.julka@navy.mil">christopher.a.julka@navy.mil</a>, (703)697-0031. In addition, the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) provides a voluntary mediation process for resolving disputes between persons making FOIA requests and the Department of the Navy (DON). For more information, go to <a href="https://www.archives.gov/ogis/about-ogis/contact-information">https://www.archives.gov/ogis/about-ogis/contact-information</a>.

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